

FEES AND EXPENSES

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold Investor Shares of the Funds.

Shareholder Fees (paid directly from your investment):

Maximum Sales Load Imposed on Purchases	None
Maximum Deferred Sales Load	None
Maximum Sales Load Imposed on Reinvested Dividends	None
Redemption Fee	
Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund	2.00% ⁽¹⁾
Schroder International Alpha Fund	2.00% ⁽¹⁾
Schroder International Diversified Value Fund	2.00% ⁽¹⁾
Schroder North American Equity Fund	None
Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund	2.00% ⁽¹⁾
Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund	2.00% ⁽¹⁾
Schroder Enhanced Income Fund	None
Schroder Strategic Bond Fund	2.00% ⁽¹⁾
Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund	None
Schroder Municipal Bond Fund	None
Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund	None

(1) Shares of this Fund held for two months or less are subject to a redemption fee of 2.00% subject to certain exceptions described herein. See "How to Sell Shares – Redemption Fee."

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that are deducted from Fund assets):

	Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund ⁽¹⁾	Schroder International Alpha Fund ⁽²⁾	Schroder International Diversified Value Fund	Schroder North American Equity Fund ⁽¹⁾	Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund ⁽¹⁾	Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund ⁽¹⁾	Schroder Enhanced Income Fund	Schroder Strategic Bond Fund	Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund	Schroder Municipal Bond Fund	Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund
Management Fees⁽³⁾	1.00%	0.975%	1.00%	0.25%	1.00%	1.00%	0.25%	0.75%	0.25%	0.40%	0.40%
Distribution (12b-1) Fees	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
Other Expenses⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	3.88%	1.691%	7.61%	0.08%	0.34%	5.15%	0.47%	3.92%	1.80%	0.37%	0.37%
Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses⁽⁵⁾	0.00%	0.00%	None	0.00%	0.06%	0.00%	None	None	None	0.01%	0.02%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses	4.88%	2.666%	8.61%	0.33%	1.40%	6.15%	0.72%	4.67%	2.05%	0.78%	0.79%
Less: Fee Waiver and Expense Limitation⁽⁶⁾	(3.01)%	(1.416)%	(7.36)%	None	None	(4.59)%	(0.32)%	(3.44)%	(1.65)%	(0.22)%	(0.22)%
Net Expenses⁽⁶⁾⁽⁷⁾⁽⁸⁾	1.87%	1.25%	1.25%	0.33%	1.40%	1.56%	0.40%	1.23%	0.40%	0.56%	0.57%

(1) In addition to direct expenses incurred by the Fund, "Other Expenses" includes any indirect expenses incurred as a result of the Fund's investment in one or more funds, including ETFs, that do not exceed 0.01% of the average net assets of the Fund. These indirect expenses of the Fund are not subject to waiver and are not subject to the expense limitation of the Fund.

(2) Restated to reflect current fees.

(3) Management Fees for each Fund include all fees payable to the Fund's adviser and its affiliates for investment advisory and fund administration services. The Fund also pays administrative or sub-administrative fees directly to SEI Investments Global Fund Services, and those fees are included under "Other Expenses."

(4) Because Schroder International Diversified Value Fund and Schroder Strategic Bond Fund have operating results for six months or less in their initial fiscal year, "Other Expenses" for these Funds are based on estimated amounts for each Fund's current fiscal year.

(5) The "Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses" are indirectly born by the Fund and these fees and expenses are not subject to waiver and are not subject to the expense limitation of the Fund.

(6) The "Net Expenses" shown for certain Funds reflect the effect of contractually imposed fee waivers and/or expense limitations on the Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses of each such Fund.

In order to limit the expenses of the Investor Shares of certain Funds, the Funds' adviser has contractually agreed to reduce its compensation (and, if necessary, to pay other Fund expenses) until February 28, 2008 to the extent that the Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses of a Fund (other than Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses, interest, taxes, and extraordinary expenses, which may include typically non-recurring expenses such as, for example, organizational expenses, litigation expenses, and shareholder meeting expenses) allocable to each Fund's Investor Shares exceed the following annual rates (based on the average daily net assets attributable to each Fund's Investor Shares): Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund: 1.75%; Schroder International Alpha Fund: 1.25%; Schroder International Diversified Value Fund: 1.25%; Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund – effective May 1, 2006: 1.70%; Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund: 1.40%; Schroder Enhanced Income Fund: 0.40%; Schroder Strategic Bond Fund: 1.15%; Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund: 0.40%; Schroder Municipal Bond Fund: 0.55%; and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund: 0.55%.

Net Expenses of the Funds' Investor Shares may be higher than the Net Expenses shown in the table above to the extent the Fund has interest, taxes, or extraordinary expenses. In the last fiscal year, the Funds with fee waivers and/or expense limitations in effect had no such expenses, and these Funds do not expect to incur such expenses in the next fiscal year. The fee waiver and/or expense limitations for the Funds may only be terminated during their term by the Board of Trustees.

(7) The "Net Expenses" shown in the table includes any expenses incurred indirectly by the Fund as a result of its investments in one or more funds, including ETFs, as applicable. The Net Expenses shown may be higher than the Ratio of Expenses to Average Net Assets included in the "Financial Highlights" section, which reflects the operating expenses of the Fund and does not include indirect Other Expenses or Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses. If only the operating expenses of the Fund were included in Net Expenses, and not the indirect expenses incurred by the Fund, the Net Expenses would be: Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund: 1.34%; Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund: 1.55% (1.40% with custody offsets); Schroder Municipal Bond Fund: 0.55%; and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund: 0.55%.

(8) Had custody offsets been included for Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund, and Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, the Net Expenses would have been 1.75%, 1.41%, and 1.15%, respectively.

EXAMPLE

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in a Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds.

The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in Investor Shares of a Fund for the time periods indicated and then redeem all of your Investor Shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment earns a 5% return each year and that a Fund's operating expenses for each year are the same as the Fund's Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses shown above (except that, in the first year, the operating expenses are the same as the Fund's Net Expenses shown above). Your actual costs may be higher or lower. Based on these assumptions, your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund	\$190	\$1,198	\$2,208	\$4,744
Schroder International Alpha Fund	\$127	\$ 694	\$1,288	\$2,898
Schroder International Diversified Value Fund	\$127	\$1,850	N/A	N/A
Schroder North American Equity Fund	\$ 34	\$ 106	\$ 185	\$ 418
Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund	\$143	\$ 443	\$ 766	\$1,680
Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund	\$159	\$1,416	\$2,645	\$5,596
Schroder Enhanced Income Fund	\$ 41	\$ 198	\$ 369	\$ 864
Schroder Strategic Bond Fund	\$125	\$1,098	N/A	N/A
Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund	\$ 41	\$ 483	\$ 951	\$2,247
Schroder Municipal Bond Fund	\$ 57	\$ 227	\$ 412	\$ 946
Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund	\$ 58	\$ 230	\$ 417	\$ 957

PRINCIPAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN THE FUNDS

A Fund may not achieve its objective. The following provides more detail about certain of the Funds' principal risks and the circumstances which could adversely affect the value of a Fund's shares or its investment return. Unless a strategy or policy described below is specifically prohibited by a Fund's investment restrictions as set forth in this Prospectus or under "Investment Restrictions" in the Funds' SAI, or by applicable law, a Fund may engage in each of the practices described below, although only the Funds specifically indicated below use the applicable strategy as a principal investment strategy.

– **Interest Rate Risk. (Schroder Enhanced Income Fund, Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund, Schroder Municipal Bond Fund, and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund).** The values of bonds and other debt instruments usually rise and fall in response to changes in interest rates. Declining interest rates generally increase the values of existing debt instruments, and rising interest rates generally reduce the value of existing debt instruments. Interest rate risk is generally greater for investments with longer durations or maturities. Some investments give the issuer the option to call or redeem an investment before its maturity date. If an issuer calls or redeems an investment during a time of declining interest rates, a Fund might have to reinvest the proceeds in an investment offering a lower yield, and therefore might not benefit from any increase in value as a result of declining interest rates.

– **Credit Risk. (Schroder Enhanced Income Fund, Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund, Schroder Municipal Bond Fund, and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund).** The ability, or perceived ability, of the issuer of a debt security to make timely payments of interest and principal on the security will affect the value of the security. It is possible that the ability of an issuer to meet its obligations will decline substantially during the period when a Fund owns securities of that issuer, or that the issuer will default on its obligations. An actual or perceived deterioration in the ability of an issuer to meet its obligations will likely have an adverse effect on the value of the issuer's securities.

If a security has been rated by more than one nationally recognized statistical rating organization the Funds' adviser will consider the highest rating for the purposes of determining whether the security is of "investment grade." A Fund will not necessarily dispose of a security held by it if its rating falls below investment grade, although the Fund's adviser will consider whether the security continues to be an appropriate investment for the Fund. A Fund considers whether a security is of "investment grade" only at the time of purchase.

Some of the Funds will invest in securities which will not be rated by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization (such as Moody's, Standard & Poor's, or Fitch), and their credit quality will be determined by the adviser.

Credit risk is generally greater for investments issued at less than their face values and required to make interest payments only at maturity rather than at intervals during the life of the investment. Credit rating agencies base their ratings largely on the issuer's historical financial condition and the rating agencies' investment analysis at the time of rating. The rating assigned to any particular investment does not necessarily reflect the issuer's current financial condition, and does not reflect an assessment of an investment's volatility or liquidity. Although investment grade investments generally have lower credit risk than investments rated below investment grade, they may share some of the risks of

lower-rated investments, including the possibility that the issuers may be unable to make timely payments of interest and principal and thus default.

The value of a municipal bond depends on the ability and willingness of its issuer to meet its obligations on the security. Changes in the financial condition of an issuer, changes in specific economic or political conditions that affect a particular type of security or issuer, and changes in general economic or political conditions can affect the credit quality or value of an issuer's securities. The discontinuance of the taxation supporting a specific project or specific assets or the inability to collect revenues from the project or from the assets can negatively affect the municipal bonds backed by current or anticipated revenues from the project or assets. If the Internal Revenue Service or a state tax authority determines an issuer of a municipal security has not complied with applicable tax requirements, interest from the security could become taxable for federal or state law purposes and the security's market value could decline significantly.

– **Extension Risk. (Schroder Enhanced Income Fund, Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund, Schroder Municipal Bond Fund, and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund).** During periods of rising interest rates, the average life of certain types of securities may be extended because of slower than expected principal payments. This may lock in a below-market interest rate, increase the security's duration, and reduce the value of the security.

– **High-Yield/Junk Bonds Risk. (Schroder Strategic Bond Fund and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund).** The lower ratings of certain securities held by a Fund reflect a greater possibility that adverse changes in the financial condition of the issuer or in general economic conditions, or both, or an unanticipated rise in interest rates, may impair the ability of the issuer to make payments of interest and principal. The inability (or perceived inability) of issuers to make timely payment of interest and principal would likely make the values of securities held by a Fund more volatile and could limit the Fund's ability to sell its securities at prices approximating the values the Fund has placed on such securities. In the absence of a liquid trading market for securities held by them, a Fund at times may be unable to establish the fair value of such securities. To the extent a Fund invests in securities in the lower rating categories, the achievement of the Fund's goals is more dependent on the Fund adviser's investment analysis than would be the case if the Fund was investing in securities in the higher rating categories.

– **Inflation/Deflation Risk. (Schroder Enhanced Income Fund, Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund, Schroder Municipal Bond Fund, and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund).** Inflation risk is the risk that a Fund's assets or income from a Fund's investments may be worth less in the future as inflation decreases the value of money. As inflation increases, the real value of a Fund's portfolio could decline. Deflation risk is the risk that prices throughout the economy may decline over time – the opposite of inflation. Deflation may have an adverse effect on the creditworthiness of issuers and may make issuer default more likely, which may result in a decline in the value of a Fund's portfolio.

– **Mortgage and Asset-Backed Securities Risk. (Schroder Enhanced Income Fund, Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund).** Mortgage-backed securities, including collateralized mortgage obligations and certain stripped mortgage-backed securities represent a participation in, or are secured by, mortgage loans. Asset-backed securities are structured like mortgage-backed securities, but instead of mortgage loans or interests in mortgage loans, the underlying assets may

include such items as motor vehicle installment sales or installment loan contracts, leases of various types of real and personal property and receivables from credit card agreements.

Traditional debt investments typically pay a fixed rate of interest until maturity, when the entire principal amount is due. By contrast, payments on mortgage-backed and many asset-backed investments typically include both interest and partial payment of principal. Principal may also be prepaid voluntarily, or as a result of refinancing or foreclosure. A Fund may have to invest the proceeds from prepaid investments in other investments with less attractive terms and yields. As a result, these securities may have less potential for capital appreciation during periods of declining interest rates than other securities of comparable maturities, although they may have a similar risk of decline in market value during periods of rising interest rates. Because the prepayment rate generally declines as interest rates rise, an increase in interest rates will likely increase the duration, and thus the volatility, of mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities. In addition to interest rate risk (as described above under "Interest Rate Risk"), investments in mortgage-backed securities composed of subprime mortgages may be subject to a higher degree of credit risk, valuation risk and liquidity risk (as described above under "Credit Risk" and below under "Valuation Risk" and "Liquidity Risk"). Duration is a measure of the expected life of a fixed income security that is used to determine the sensitivity of the security's price to changes in interest rates. Unlike the maturity of a fixed income security, which measures only the time until final payment is due, duration takes into account the time until all payments of interest and principal on a security are expected to be made, including how these payments are affected by prepayments and by changes in interest rates.

The ability of an issuer of asset-backed securities to enforce its security interest in the underlying assets may be limited. Some mortgage-backed and asset-backed investments receive only the interest portion ("IOs") or the principal portion ("POs") of payments on the underlying assets. The yields and values of these investments are extremely sensitive to changes in interest rates and in the rate of principal payments on the underlying assets. IOs tend to decrease in value if interest rates decline and rates of repayment (including prepayment) on the underlying mortgages or assets increase; it is possible that a Fund may lose the entire amount of its investment in an IO due to a decrease in interest rates. Conversely, POs tend to decrease in value if interest rates rise and rates of repayment decrease. Moreover, the market for IOs and POs may be volatile and limited, which may make them difficult for a Fund to buy or sell.

A Fund may gain investment exposure to mortgage-backed and asset-backed investments by entering into agreements with financial institutions to buy the investments at a fixed price at a future date. A Fund may or may not take delivery of the investments at the termination date of such an agreement, but will nonetheless be exposed to changes in value of the underlying investments during the term of the agreement.

– **Liquidity Risk. (Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder North American Equity Fund, Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund, Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund, and Schroder Strategic Bond Fund).** Liquidity risk exists when particular investments are difficult to purchase or sell. A Fund's investments in illiquid securities may reduce the returns of the Fund because it may be unable to sell the illiquid securities at an advantageous time or price. Investments in foreign securities, derivatives, or securities with substantial market and/or credit risk tend to have the greatest exposure to liquidity risk. Illiquid securities may be highly volatile and difficult to value.

– **Derivatives Risk. (Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder North American Equity Fund, Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund, Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund, Schroder Enhanced Income Fund, Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund).** Derivatives are financial contracts whose value depends on, or derives from, the value of an underlying asset, reference rate, or index. A Fund's use of derivative instruments involves risks different from, and possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities and other traditional investments. Derivatives are subject to a number of risks described elsewhere in this section, such as liquidity risk, interest rate risk, and credit risk, and the risk that a derivative transaction may not have the effect the Funds' adviser or sub-adviser anticipated. Derivatives also involve the risk of mispricing or improper valuation and the risk that changes in the value of the derivative may not correlate perfectly with the underlying asset, rate, or index. Derivative transactions typically involve leverage and may be highly volatile. Use of derivatives other than for hedging purposes may be considered speculative, and when a Fund invests in a derivative instrument it could lose more than the principal amount invested. Also, suitable derivative transactions may not be available in all circumstances and there can be no assurance that a Fund will engage in these transactions to reduce exposure to other risks when that would be beneficial. Many derivative transactions are entered into "over the counter" (not on an exchange or contract market); as a result, the value of such a derivative transaction will depend on the ability and willingness of a Fund's counterparty to perform its obligations under the transaction. A Fund may be required to segregate certain of its assets on the books of its custodian in respect of derivatives transactions entered into by the Fund. See the SAI for more information.

– **Small and Mid Cap Companies Risk. (Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder North American Equity Fund, Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund, and Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund).** The Funds may invest in companies that are smaller and less well-known than larger, more widely held companies. Micro, small and mid cap companies may offer greater opportunities for capital appreciation than larger companies, but may also involve certain special risks. They are more likely than larger companies to have limited product lines, markets or financial resources, or to depend on a small, inexperienced management group. Securities of smaller companies may trade less frequently and in lesser volume than more widely held securities and their values may fluctuate more sharply than other securities. They may also trade in the over-the-counter market or on a regional exchange, or may otherwise have limited liquidity. These securities may therefore be more vulnerable to adverse developments than securities of larger companies, and the Funds may have difficulty establishing or closing out their securities positions in smaller companies at prevailing market prices. Also, there may be less publicly available information about smaller companies or less market interest in their securities as compared to larger companies, and it may take longer for the prices of the securities to reflect the full value of their issuers' earnings potential or assets.

– **Equity Securities Risk. (Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder North American Equity Fund, Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund, and Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund).** The principal risks of investing in the Funds include the risk that the value of the equity securities in the portfolio will fall, or will not

appreciate as anticipated by the Funds' adviser or sub-adviser, due to factors that adversely affect equities markets generally or particular companies in the portfolio. Common stocks represent an equity or ownership interest in an issuer and are subject to issuer and market risks that may cause their prices to fluctuate over time. Preferred stocks represent an equity or ownership interest in an issuer that typically pays dividends at a specified rate and that has priority over common stock in the payment of dividends and in liquidation. If interest rates rise, the fixed dividend on preferred stocks may be less attractive, causing the price of preferred stocks to decline. Different types of investments tend to shift into and out of favor with investors depending on changes in market and economic conditions.

– **Convertible Securities Risk. (Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder North American Equity Fund, Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund, Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund, Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund).** Schroder Strategic Bond Fund and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund may invest in convertible securities, which are corporate debt securities that may be converted at either a stated price or stated rate into underlying shares of common or preferred stock, and so subject to the risks of investments in both debt securities and equity securities. Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder North American Equity Fund, Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund, and Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund may invest in securities that are convertible into preferred and common stocks, and so subject to the risks of investments in both debt and equity securities. The market value of convertible securities tends to decline as interest rates increase and, conversely, tends to increase as interest rates decline. In addition, because of the conversion feature, the market value of convertible securities tends to vary with fluctuations in the market value of the underlying preferred and common stocks and, therefore, also will react to variations in the general market for equity securities.

– **Warrants Risk. (Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder North American Equity Fund, Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund, and Schroder Strategic Bond Fund).** The Funds may invest in warrants to purchase equity securities. The price, performance and liquidity of such warrants are typically linked to the underlying stock. Schroder Strategic Bond Fund may invest in bonds issued with warrants attached to purchase equity securities. These instruments have many characteristics of convertible bonds and their prices may, to some degree, reflect the performance of the underlying stock.

– **Initial Public Offerings (IPOs) Risk. (Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund, and Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund).** The Funds may also purchase securities of companies in initial public offerings (IPOs), which frequently are smaller companies. Such securities have no trading history, and information about these companies may be available for very limited periods. The prices of securities sold in IPOs also can be highly volatile. Under certain market conditions, very few companies, if any, may determine to make initial public offerings of their securities. At any particular time or from time to time the Funds may not be able to invest in securities issued in IPOs or invest to the extent desired, because, for example, only a small portion (if any) of the securities being offered in an IPO may be made available to the Funds. The investment performance of the Funds during periods

when they are unable to invest significantly or at all in initial public offerings may be lower than during periods when the Funds are able to do so.

– **Foreign Investment Risk. (Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder North American Equity Fund, Schroder Enhanced Income Fund, Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund).** Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder Enhanced Income Fund, Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund may invest in foreign securities. Schroder North American Equity Fund may invest in securities of Canadian companies and in companies located in other countries in North America. Investments in foreign securities entail certain risks. There may be a possibility of nationalization or expropriation of assets, confiscatory taxation, political or financial instability, and diplomatic developments that could affect the value of a Fund's investments in certain foreign countries. In addition, there may be less information publicly available about a foreign issuer than about a U.S. issuer, and foreign issuers are not generally subject to accounting, auditing, and financial reporting standards and practices comparable to those in the United States. The securities of some foreign issuers are less liquid and at times more volatile than securities of comparable U.S. issuers. Foreign brokerage commissions and other fees are also generally higher than in the United States. Foreign settlement procedures and trade regulations may involve certain risks (such as delay in payment or delivery of securities or in the recovery of a Fund's assets held abroad) and expenses not present in the settlement of domestic investments.

Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund may invest in Chinese companies. While companies in China may be subject to limitations on their business relationships under Chinese law, these laws may not be consistent with certain political and security concerns of the United States. As a result, Chinese companies may have material direct or indirect business relationships with governments that are considered state sponsors of terrorism by the United States government, or governments that otherwise have policies in conflict with the U.S. government. Investments in such companies may subject the Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund to the risk that these companies' reputation and price in the market will be adversely affected.

In addition, legal remedies available to investors in certain foreign countries may be more limited than those available to investors in the United States or in other foreign countries. The willingness and ability of foreign governmental entities to pay principal and interest on government securities depends on various economic factors, including the issuer's balance of payments, overall debt level, and cash-flow considerations related to the availability of tax or other revenues to satisfy the issuer's obligations. If a foreign governmental entity defaults on its obligations on the securities, a Fund may have limited recourse available to it. The laws of some foreign countries may limit a Fund's ability to invest in securities of certain issuers located in those countries.

Special tax considerations apply to a Fund's investments in foreign securities. In determining whether to invest a Fund's assets in debt securities of foreign issuers, the Fund's adviser or sub-adviser considers the likely impact of foreign taxes on the net yield available to the Fund and its shareholders. Income and/or gains received by a Fund from sources within foreign countries may be reduced by withholding and other taxes imposed by such countries. Tax conventions between certain countries and the United States may reduce or eliminate such taxes. Any such taxes paid by a Fund will reduce its income available for distribution to shareholders. In certain circumstances, a Fund may be able to

pass through to shareholders credits for foreign taxes paid. Certain of these risks may also apply to some extent to investments in U.S. companies that are traded in foreign markets, or investments in U.S. companies that have significant foreign operations.

In addition, a Fund's investments in foreign securities or foreign currencies may increase or accelerate the Fund's recognition of ordinary income and may affect the timing or character of the Fund's distributions.

– **Foreign Currencies Risk. (Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder North American Equity Fund, Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund).** Since foreign securities normally are denominated and traded in foreign currencies, the value of a Fund's assets may be affected favorably or unfavorably by currency exchange rates, currency exchange control regulations, foreign withholding taxes, and restrictions or prohibitions on the repatriation of foreign currencies. A Fund may, but is not required to, buy or sell foreign securities and options and futures contracts on foreign securities for hedging purposes in connection with its foreign investments.

If a Fund purchases securities denominated in foreign currencies, a change in the value of any such currency against the U.S. dollar will result in a change in the U.S. dollar value of the Fund's assets and the Fund's income available for distribution. Officials in foreign countries may from time to time take actions in respect of their currencies which could significantly affect the value of a Fund's assets denominated in those currencies or the liquidity of such investments. For example, a foreign government may unilaterally devalue its currency against other currencies, which would typically have the effect of reducing the U.S. dollar value of investments denominated in that currency. A foreign government may also limit the convertibility or repatriation of its currency or assets denominated in its currency, which would adversely affect the U.S. dollar value and liquidity of investments denominated in that currency. In addition, although at times most of a Fund's income may be received or realized in these currencies, the Fund will be required to compute and distribute its income in U.S. dollars. As a result, if the exchange rate for any such currency declines after the Fund's income has been earned and translated into U.S. dollars but before payment to shareholders, the Fund could be required to liquidate portfolio securities to make such distributions. Similarly, if a Fund incurs an expense in U.S. dollars and the exchange rate declines before the expense is paid, the Fund would have to convert a greater amount of U.S. dollars to pay for the expense at that time than it would have had to convert at the time the Fund incurred the expense. A Fund may, but is not required to, buy or sell foreign currencies and options and futures contracts on foreign currencies for hedging purposes in connection with its foreign investments.

– **Emerging Markets Securities Risk. (Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund).** Investing in emerging market securities poses risks different from, and/or greater than, risks of investing in domestic securities or in the securities of foreign, developed countries. These risks include: smaller market capitalization of securities markets, which may suffer periods of relative illiquidity; significant price volatility; restrictions on foreign investment; and possible repatriation of investment income and capital. In addition, foreign investors may be required to register the proceeds of sales, and future economic or political crises could lead to price controls, forced mergers, expropriation or confiscatory taxation, seizure, nationalization or the creation of government monopolies. The currencies

of emerging market countries may experience significant declines against the U.S. dollar, and devaluation may occur subsequent to investments in these currencies by a Fund. Inflation and rapid fluctuations in inflation rates have had, and may continue to have, negative effects on the economies and securities markets of certain emerging market countries. Although many of the emerging market securities in which a Fund may invest are traded on securities exchanges, they may trade in limited volume, and the exchanges may not provide all of the conveniences or protections provided by securities exchanges in more developed markets.

Additional risks of emerging market securities may include: greater social, economic and political uncertainty and instability; more substantial governmental involvement in the economy; less governmental supervision and regulation; unavailability of currency hedging techniques; companies that are newly organized and small; differences in auditing and financial reporting standards, which may result in unavailability of material information about issuers; and less developed legal systems. In addition, emerging securities markets may have different clearance and settlement procedures, which may be unable to keep pace with the volume of securities transactions or otherwise make it difficult to engage in such transactions. Settlement problems may cause a Fund to miss attractive investment opportunities, hold a portion of its assets in cash pending investment, or be delayed in disposing of a portfolio security. Such a delay could result in possible liability to a purchaser of the security.

– **Geographic Focus Risk. (Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder North American Equity Fund, Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund, Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund, and Schroder Strategic Bond Fund).** To the extent that a Fund invests a substantial amount of its assets in one country or group of countries, its performance may at times be worse than the performance of other mutual funds that invest more broadly. Because the Schroder North American Equity Fund invests principally in equity securities of North American companies, and the Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund and Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund invest principally in equity securities of U.S. companies, their performance may at times be worse than the performance of other mutual funds that invest more broadly.

– **Issuer Focus Risk. (Schroder International Alpha Fund and Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund).** The Funds, and in particular the Schroder International Alpha Fund, may invest in a smaller number of companies than comprise the portfolios of other similar mutual funds. When a Fund invests in a relatively small number of issuers, changes in the value of one or more portfolio securities may have a greater effect on the Fund than if the Fund invested more broadly.

– **Depository Receipts Risk. (Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund).** A Fund may invest in ADRs, as well as GDRs, EDRs or other similar securities representing ownership of foreign securities. Depository Receipts generally evidence an ownership interest in a corresponding foreign security on deposit with a financial institution. Investments in non-U.S. issuers through Depository Receipts and similar instruments may involve certain risks not applicable to investing in U.S. issuers, including changes in currency rates, application of local tax laws, changes in governmental administration or economic or monetary policy or changed circumstances in dealings between nations. Costs may be incurred in connection with conversions between various currencies. A Fund may invest in both sponsored and unsponsored Depository Receipts. Unsponsored Depository Receipts are organized independently and without the cooperation of the issuer of the underlying

securities. As a result, available information concerning the issuers may not be as current for sponsored Depositary Receipts and the prices of unsponsored Depositary Receipts may be more volatile than if such instruments were sponsored by the issuer.

– **Investments in Pooled Vehicles Risk. (Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder North American Equity Fund, and Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund).** A Fund may invest in other investment companies or pooled vehicles, including closed-end funds, trusts, and ETFs, that are advised by the Fund's sub-adviser or its affiliates or by unaffiliated parties, to the extent permitted by applicable law. When investing in a closed-end investment company, a Fund may pay a premium above such investment company's net asset value per share and when the shares are sold, the price received by the Fund may be at a discount to net asset value. As a shareholder in an investment company or pooled vehicle, a Fund, and indirectly that Fund's shareholders, may bear its ratable share of the investment company's expenses, including advisory and administrative fees, and may at the same time continue to pay its own fees and expenses. ETFs issue redeemable securities, but because these securities may only be redeemed in kind in significant amounts investors generally buy and sell shares in transactions on securities exchanges.

– **Real Estate Investment Trust Risk. (Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund, and Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund).** An investment in a REIT may be subject to risks similar to those associated with direct ownership of real estate, including losses from casualty or condemnation, and changes in local and general economic conditions, supply and demand, interest rates, zoning laws, regulatory limitations on rents, property taxes and operating expenses. In addition, an investment in a REIT is subject to additional risks, such as poor performance by the manager of the REIT, adverse changes to the tax laws or failure by the REIT to qualify for tax-free pass-through of income under the Code. In addition, some REITs have limited diversification because they invest in a limited number of properties, a narrow geographic area, or a single type of property. Also, the organizational documents of a REIT may contain provisions that make changes in control of the REIT difficult and time-consuming. As a shareholder in a REIT a Fund, and indirectly the Fund's shareholders, would bear its ratable share of the REIT's expenses and would at the same time continue to pay its own fees and expenses.

– **Over-the-Counter Risk. (Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund and Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund).** Securities traded in over-the-counter markets may trade in smaller volumes, and their prices may be more volatile, than securities principally traded on securities exchanges. Such securities may be less liquid than more widely traded securities. In addition, the prices of such securities may include an undisclosed dealer markup, which a Fund pays as part of the purchase price.

– **Equity Markets Risk. (Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder North American Equity Fund, Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund, and Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund).** Although stocks may outperform other asset classes over the long term, their prices tend to fluctuate more dramatically over the shorter term. These movements may result from factors affecting individual companies, or from broader influences like changes in interest rates, market conditions, investor confidence or announcements of economic, political or financial information. While potentially offering greater opportunities for capital growth than larger, more established companies, the

stocks of smaller companies may be particularly volatile, especially during periods of economic uncertainty. These companies may face less certain growth prospects, or depend heavily on a limited line of products and services or the efforts of a small number of key management personnel.

– **Management Risk. (All Funds).** Because the Funds are actively managed, each Fund's investment return depends on the ability of its adviser or sub-adviser to manage its portfolio successfully. A Fund's adviser or sub-adviser and its investment team will apply investment techniques and risk analyses in making investment decisions for the Fund, but there can be no guarantee that these will produce the desired results.

– **Frequent Trading / Portfolio Turnover Risk (Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund, Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund).** The length of time a Fund has held a particular security is not generally a consideration in investment decisions. The investment policies of a Fund may lead to frequent changes in the Fund's investments, particularly in periods of volatile market movements, in order to take advantage of what the Fund's adviser or sub-adviser believes to be temporary disparities in normal yield relationships between securities. A change in the securities held by a Fund is known as "portfolio turnover." Portfolio turnover generally involves some expense to a Fund, including bid-asked spreads, dealer mark-ups and other transaction costs on the sale of securities and reinvestments in other securities, and may result in the realization of taxable capital gains (including short-term gains, which are generally taxed to shareholders at ordinary income rates). The trading costs and tax effects associated with portfolio turnover may adversely affect a Fund's performance. During periods when a Fund experiences high portfolio turnover rates, these effects are likely to be more pronounced. For the fiscal year ended October 31, 2006, the Funds had the following portfolio turnover rates: Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund: 49% (from the Fund's inception on March 31, 2006); Schroder International Alpha Fund: 76%; Schroder International Diversified Value Fund: 7% (from the Fund's inception on August 29, 2006); Schroder North American Equity Fund: 51%; Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund: 101%; Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund: 46% (from the Fund's inception on March 31, 2006); Schroder Enhanced Income Fund: 78%; Schroder Strategic Bond Fund: 321% (from the Fund's inception on June 30, 2006); Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund: 295%; Schroder Municipal Bond Fund: 15%; and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund: 24%. Consult your tax advisor regarding a Fund's portfolio turnover rate on your investments.

– **Municipal Bonds Risk. (Schroder Municipal Bond Fund and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund).** Municipal bonds are investments of any maturity issued by states, public authorities or political subdivisions to raise money for public purposes; they include, for example, general obligations of a state or other government entity supported by its taxing powers to acquire and construct public facilities or to provide temporary financing in anticipation of the receipt of taxes and other revenue. They also include obligations of states, public authorities or political subdivisions to finance privately owned or operated facilities or public facilities financed solely by enterprise revenues. Payments of interest and repayments of principal will depend on the ability of the governmental entity or other issuer to meet its obligations. Changes in law or adverse determinations by the Internal Revenue Service or a state tax authority could make the income from some of these obligations taxable.

General obligations. These are backed by the issuer's authority to levy taxes and are considered an obligation of the issuer. They are payable from the issuer's

general unrestricted revenues, although payment may depend upon government appropriation or aid from other governments. These investments may be vulnerable to legal limits on a government's power to raise revenue or increase taxes, as well as economic or other developments that can reduce revenues.

Special revenue obligations. These are payable from revenue earned by a particular project or other revenue source. They include private activity bonds for manufacturing facilities, certain transportation facilities, and publicly-owned utilities, and non-profit organizations such as private colleges, hospitals and museums, and other facilities. Investors can look only to the revenue generated by the project or the private company owning or operating the project rather than the credit of the state or local government authority issuing the bonds. Revenue obligations are often subject to greater credit risk than general obligations debt because they do not rely on broad taxing powers.

Municipal bonds may be insured or guaranteed by public or private guarantors or insurers. The credit standing of such a bond would likely depend to a substantial extent on the ability and willingness of the guarantor or insurer to meet its obligations.

The amount of public information available about the municipal bonds in a Fund's portfolio is generally less than that available for corporate equities or bonds, and the investment performance of a Fund holding such securities may therefore be more dependent on the analytical abilities of the Fund's adviser.

Interest income from private activity bonds may be subject to federal AMT for individuals. Corporate shareholders will be required to include all tax-exempt interest dividends in determining their federal AMT. The Funds may each invest as much as 100% of their net assets in investments, the income from which may result in liability for federal AMT both for individual and corporate shareholders. For more information, including possible state, local and other taxes, contact your tax advisor.

At times, a portion of a Fund's assets may be invested in an issue of which the Fund, by itself or together with other funds and accounts managed by the Funds' adviser or its affiliates, holds all or a major portion. It is possible that, under adverse market or economic conditions or in the event of adverse changes in the financial condition of the issuer, a Fund could find it more difficult to sell these securities when the Funds' adviser believes it advisable to do so or may be able to sell the securities only at prices lower than if they were more widely held. Under these circumstances, it may also be more difficult to determine the fair value of such securities for purposes of computing a Fund's net asset value. In the event of a default by an issuer of such securities, a Fund may be required to incur expenses in enforcing its rights, and any income received by the Fund in respect of its investment might not be tax-exempt.

– **Taxable Municipal Securities Risk. (Schroder Municipal Bond Fund and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund).** The Funds may invest in taxable municipal securities. These would typically include securities issued by states, public authorities, or political subdivisions but which fail to meet the requirements of the federal tax code necessary so that interest payments made on the securities will be exempt from federal income tax. These may include, for example, securities issued to finance unfunded pension liabilities or issued to finance governmental facilities where the nature or management of the facility is such that the securities may not be issued on a tax-exempt basis. The Funds may also hold a portion of their assets in securities issued by the U.S. Treasury and they may hold taxable money market securities or cash equivalents for liquidity or pending investment in tax-exempt securities.

– **Volatility of the Municipal Bond Market Risk. (Schroder Municipal Bond Fund and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund).** The values of municipal bonds may rise or fall in response to a number of factors affecting their issuers specifically or the municipal bond market generally. For example, political or fiscal events affecting the issuers of municipal bonds, as well as uncertainties in the municipal bond market generally related to taxation, legislative changes, or the enforceability of rights of municipal bond holders, can significantly affect the values of municipal bonds. Because many municipal bonds are issued to finance similar projects, such as those relating to education, health care, housing, transportation, and utilities, conditions in those sectors can affect the overall municipal bond market.

– **State and Issuer Risk. (Schroder Municipal Bond Fund and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund).** A Fund may invest without limitation in the debt of issuers, including conduit issuers, located in the same state. Investing in bonds issued by a state, state agencies, or political subdivisions in the same state may make a Fund more vulnerable to that state's economy and to issues affecting its municipal bond issuers, such as possible restrictions on additional borrowings by issuers in that state or economic or legal limitations on an issuer's ability to meet payment obligations. A Fund may also invest more than 25% of its assets in a sector of the municipal bond market, including education, health care, housing, transportation or utilities sectors. Geographic or sector concentration may cause the value of a Fund's shares to change more than the values of shares of funds that invest in a greater variety of investments.

Municipal bonds backed by revenues from facilities in a particular sector are subject to the risks of investment in that sector generally. For example, investments in many of the sectors in which a Fund may invest are subject to the risks of changes in government regulation, fluctuations in revenues, including federal or state assistance, competition, changes in labor relations and costs, and difficulties in raising additional capital under a variety of circumstances. Revenue bonds issued in the education sector can be significantly affected also by levels of endowment, charitable giving, costs of attendance, increases or decreases in governmental assistance or other revenues, and, in the case of public schools, limits on the ability of governmental entities to increase taxes or generate other revenues, including fees, to pay for educational expenses. Investments in a health care sector are subject to changes in patient income, the availability of public or private insurance reimbursement for procedures and drug costs, the timing of such payments, the quality of management and the availability of qualified professional staff, and demographics. The housing sector can be significantly affected by changes in interest rates for single-family home buyers, governmental regulations imposed on developers of low and moderate cost multi-family units, as well as costs of land, construction and maintenance costs, neighborhood opposition to mixed-income developments, and the level of government incentives, including subsidies and tax credits. Investments in a transportation sector can be affected significantly by the cost of developing, maintaining, updating and replacing infrastructure and other hard assets, levels of federal and state assistance, quality of service, and the ability to raise fees without losing ridership. Investments in a utilities sector can be significantly affected by the ability to locate a reliable and reasonable source of the resource to be provided, infrastructure development and maintenance, the ability to pass on costs of services and resources to customers, mandatory or voluntary natural resource conservation efforts, alternatives by customers to the use of public utilities, and the effects of deregulation by many states. The foregoing factors are illustrative in nature. This discussion of the risk of concentration in sectors is not, and is not intended to be, comprehensive or exhaustive.

A Fund may at times invest a substantial portion of its assets in securities of a particular issue, and to that extent, the Fund's investment performance and net asset value will be adversely affected by decreases in the value of such issue more than if such Fund invested in a larger range of securities.

– **U.S. Government Securities Risk. (Schroder Enhanced Income Fund, Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund, Schroder Municipal Bond Fund, and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund).**

U.S. Government securities include a variety of securities that differ in their interest rates, maturities, and dates of issue. While securities issued or guaranteed by some agencies or instrumentalities of the U.S. Government (such as the Government National Mortgage Association) are supported by the full faith and credit of the United States, securities issued or guaranteed by certain other agencies or instrumentalities of the U.S. Government (such as Federal Home Loan Banks) are supported by the right of the issuer to borrow from the U.S. Government, and securities issued or guaranteed by certain other agencies and instrumentalities of the U.S. Government (such as Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac) are supported only by the credit of the issuer itself. Investments in these securities are also subject to interest rate risk (as described above under "Interest Rate Risk"), prepayment risk (as described above under "Mortgage and Asset-Backed Securities Risk"), extension risk (as described above under "Extension Risk"), and the risk that the value of the securities will fluctuate in response to political, market, or economic developments.

– **When-Issued, Delayed Delivery, and Forward Commitment Transactions Risk. (Schroder Municipal Bond Fund and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund).**

The Funds may purchase securities on a when-issued, delayed delivery, or forward commitment basis. These transactions involve a commitment by the Fund to purchase a security for a predetermined price or yield, with payments and delivery taking place more than seven days in the future, or after a period longer than the customary settlement period for that type of security. These transactions may increase the overall investment exposure for a Fund and involve a risk of loss if the value of the securities declines prior to the settlement date.

– **Non-Diversification Risk. (Schroder Strategic Bond Fund).** Schroder Strategic Bond Fund is a non-diversified investment company. It therefore may invest a greater percentage of its assets in a particular issuer or group of issuers than a diversified fund. To the extent the Fund invests a significant portion of its assets in the securities of a particular issuer, it will be subject to an increased risk of loss if the market value of the issuer's securities declines.

– **Valuation Risk (Schroder Enhanced Income Fund, Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund, Schroder Municipal Bond Fund and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund).**

Due to the nature of some Fund investments and the market environment, a portion of a Fund's assets may be valued by Schroders at fair value pursuant to guidelines established by the Board of Trustees. A Fund's assets may be valued using prices provided by a pricing service or alternatively, broker-dealer or other market intermediary (sometimes just one broker-dealer or other market intermediary) when other reliable pricing sources may not be available. There can be no assurance that prices accurately reflect the price the Fund would receive upon sale of a security, and to the extent the Fund sells a security at a price lower than the price it has been using to value the security, its net asset value will be adversely affected.

NON-PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGIES AND TECHNIQUES

In addition to the principal investment strategies described in the Principal Investment Strategies section above, each Fund may at times, but is not required to, use the strategies and techniques described below, which involve certain special risks. This Prospectus does not attempt to disclose all of the various investment techniques and types of securities that the Funds' adviser or sub-adviser might use in managing the Funds. As in any mutual fund, investors must rely on the professional investment judgment and skill of the Funds' adviser and sub-adviser.

– **Short Sales.** A Fund may sell a security short when the Fund's adviser or sub-adviser anticipates that the price of the security will decline. A Fund may make a profit or incur a loss depending on whether the market price of the security decreases or increases between the date of the short sale and the date on which the Fund "closes" the short position. A short position will result in a loss if the market price of the security in question increases between the date when the Fund enters into the short position and the date when the Fund closes the short position. Such a loss could theoretically be unlimited in a case where such Fund is unable, for whatever reason, to close out its short position. In addition, short positions may result in a loss if a portfolio strategy of which the short position is a part is otherwise unsuccessful.

– **Securities Loans and Repurchase Agreements.** A Fund may lend portfolio securities to broker-dealers, and may enter into repurchase agreements. These transactions must be fully collateralized at all times, but involve some risk to a Fund if the other party should default on its obligation and the Fund is delayed or prevented from recovering the collateral. A Fund may enter into securities loans and repurchase agreements as a non-principal investment strategy, as a way to recognize additional current income on securities that it owns.

– **Temporary Defensive Strategies.** At times, the Funds' adviser or sub-adviser may judge that conditions in the securities markets make pursuing a Fund's investment strategy inconsistent with the best interests of its shareholders. At such times, the Fund's adviser or sub-adviser may, but is not required to, take temporary "defensive" positions that are inconsistent with a Fund's principal investment strategies in attempting to respond to adverse market, economic, political, or other conditions. In implementing these defensive strategies, the Fund would invest in investment grade fixed income securities, cash or money market instruments to any extent the Fund's adviser or sub-adviser considers consistent with such defensive strategies. It is impossible to predict when, or for how long, a Fund would use these alternate strategies. One risk of taking such temporary defensive positions is that the Fund may not achieve its investment objective.

– **Pricing.** At times market conditions might make it hard to value some investments. If a Fund has valued securities it holds too high, you may end up paying too much for the Fund's shares when you buy into a Fund. If a Fund underestimates the price of its portfolio securities, you may not receive the full market value for your Fund shares when you sell. To the extent a Fund relies on a pricing service to value some or all of its portfolio securities, it is possible that the pricing information provided by the service will not reflect the actual price the Fund would receive upon a sale of the security.

– **Other Investments.** A Fund may also invest in other types of securities and utilize a variety of investment techniques and strategies that are not described in this Prospectus. These securities and techniques may subject the Fund to additional risks. Please see the

SAI for additional information about the securities and investment techniques described in this Prospectus and about additional techniques and strategies that may be used by the Funds.

– **Securities in Default.** Schroder Strategic Bond Fund may invest in securities that are in default. Securities that are in default are subject generally to the risks described above under “Principal Risks of Investing in the Fund – High-Yield/Junk Bonds Risk,” and which offer little or no prospect for the payment of the full amount of unpaid principal and interest.

– **Percentage Investment Limitations.** Unless otherwise noted, all percentage limitations on Fund investments will apply at the time of investment, including the requirements that: Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund normally invest at least 80% of its net assets in equity securities of companies the Fund’s sub-adviser considers to be “emerging market” issuers; Schroder International Alpha Fund normally invest at least 65% of its total assets in equity securities of companies the Fund’s adviser considers to be located outside of the United States; Schroder International Diversified Value Fund normally invest at least 65% of its net assets in equity securities of companies located in countries outside of the United States; Schroder North American Equity Fund normally invest at least 80% of its net assets in equity securities of companies organized and principally traded in, or with their principal places of business and principally traded in, North America; Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund normally invest at least 80% of its net assets in securities of companies the Fund’s adviser considers to be located in the United States; Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund normally invest at least 80% of its net assets in companies considered by the Fund’s adviser at the time to be small or mid cap companies located in the United States; Schroder Enhanced Income Fund normally invest at least 80% of its net assets in income-producing obligations; Schroder Strategic Bond Fund normally invest at least 80% of its net assets in debt securities; Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund normally invest at least 80% of its net assets in fixed income obligations; Schroder Municipal Bond Fund normally invest at least 80% of its net assets in municipal bonds and at least 80% of its net assets in investments the income from which is exempt from federal income tax, but which may be subject to federal AMT; and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund normally invest at least 80% of its net assets in municipal bonds and at least 80% of its net assets in investments the income from which is exempt from federal income tax, but which may be subject to federal AMT. An investment by a Fund would not be considered to violate a percentage limitation unless an excess or deficiency were to occur or exist immediately after and as a result of an investment. References in the discussion of the Funds’ investment policies above to 80% of a Fund’s net assets refer to that percentage of the aggregate of the Fund’s net assets and the amount, if any, of borrowings by a Fund for investment purposes.

– **Private Placements and Restricted Securities.** A Fund may invest in securities that are purchased in private placements. Because there may be relatively few potential purchasers for such investments, especially under adverse market or economic conditions or in the event of adverse changes in the financial condition of the issuer, a Fund could find it more difficult to sell such securities when the Fund’s adviser believes it advisable to do so or may be able to sell such securities only at prices lower than if such securities were more widely held. At times, it may also be more difficult to determine the fair value of such securities for purposes of computing a Fund’s net asset value. A Fund’s sale of such investments may also be restricted under securities laws. In the event that the Trustees, or persons designated by the Trustees, determine that a security is “readily marketable” pursuant to these procedures, and a Fund is not able to sell such security at the price that such persons anticipate, the Fund’s net asset value will decrease.

MANAGEMENT OF THE FUNDS

Each Trust is governed by a Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees of each Trust has retained Schroder Investment Management North America Inc. ("Schroders") to serve as each Fund's adviser and to manage the investments of each Fund. Subject to the control of the applicable Board of Trustees, Schroders also manages each Fund's other affairs and business.

Schroder Investment Management North America Limited ("SIMNA Ltd."), an affiliate of Schroders, serves as sub-adviser responsible for portfolio management of Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder North American Equity Fund, and Schroder Strategic Bond Fund.

Schroders (itself and its predecessors) has been an investment manager since 1962, and serves as investment adviser to the Funds and as investment adviser to other mutual funds and a broad range of institutional investors. Schroders plc, Schroders' ultimate parent, is a global asset management company with approximately \$229.4 billion under management as of September 30, 2006. Schroders and its affiliates have clients that are major financial institutions including banks and insurance companies, public and private pension funds, endowments and foundations, high net worth individuals, financial intermediaries and retail investors. Schroders plc has one of the largest networks of offices of any dedicated asset management company and over 300 portfolio managers and analysts covering the world's investment markets.

– **Management Fees.** For the fiscal year ended October 31, 2006, each of the following Funds paid aggregate management fees, net of applicable expense limitations and/or fee waivers, for investment management and administration services to Schroders at the following annual rates (based on each Fund's average daily net assets): Schroder North American Equity Fund: 0.25%; Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund: 0.76% (effective May 1, 2006 the Fund's management fee is 1.00%); Schroder Municipal Bond Fund: 0.18%; and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund: 0.18%. Each of Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder Enhanced Income Fund and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund did not pay fees during the fiscal year ended October 31, 2006 due to expense limitations and/or fee waivers in effect during that period (effective April 1, 2006 Schroder International Alpha Fund's management fee is 0.975% of the Fund's average daily net assets). Each of the following Funds expect to pay management fees for investment management services to Schroders at the following annual rates (based on each Fund's average daily net assets): Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund: 1.00%; Schroder International Diversified Value Fund: 1.00%; Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund: 1.00%; and Schroder Strategic Bond Fund: 0.75%. As compensation for SIMNA Ltd.'s services as sub-adviser, Schroders pays to SIMNA Ltd. fifty percent of the investment advisory fees Schroders receives from each of Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder North American Equity Fund, and Schroder Strategic Bond Fund (prior to March 1, 2006, Schroders paid twenty-five percent of such fees with respect to Schroder International Alpha Fund and Schroder North American Equity Fund to SIMNA Ltd.). A discussion regarding the basis for the Trustees' approval of the investment management agreements for the Funds is available in the Funds' annual report to shareholders for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2006.

– **Expense Limitations and Waivers.** In order to limit the expenses of the Investor Shares of certain Funds, the Funds' adviser has contractually agreed to reduce its

compensation (and, if necessary, to pay other Fund expenses) until February 28, 2008 to the extent that the Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses of a Fund (other than Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses, interest, taxes, and extraordinary expenses, which may include typically non-recurring expenses such as, for example, organizational expenses, litigation expenses, and shareholder meeting expenses) allocable to each Fund's Investor Shares exceed the following annual rates (based on the average daily net assets attributable to each Fund's Investor Shares): Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund: 1.75%; Schroder International Alpha Fund: 1.25%; Schroder International Diversified Value Fund: 1.25%; Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund – effective May 1, 2006: 1.70%; Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund: 1.40%; Schroder Enhanced Income Fund: 0.40%; Schroder Strategic Bond Fund: 1.15%; Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund: 0.40%; Schroder Municipal Bond Fund: 0.55%; and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund: 0.55%.

– **Portfolio Management.** The following portfolio managers at Schroders and SIMNA Ltd. have primary responsibility for making investment decisions for the respective Funds. For each of Schroder International Diversified Value Fund and Schroder North American Equity Fund, all investment decisions are made by a team of investment professionals at SIMNA Ltd. with the portfolio managers listed in the table below for that Fund having primary responsibility for making investment decisions for the Fund. Each portfolio manager's recent professional experience is also shown. The Funds' SAI provides additional information about each portfolio manager's compensation, other accounts managed by the portfolio managers, and each portfolio manager's ownership of securities in the respective Fund.

FUND	NAME	TITLE	SINCE	RECENT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE
Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund	James Gotto	Portfolio Manager	Inception (March 31, 2006)	Mr. Gotto is a Portfolio Manager of SIMNA Ltd. He has been an employee of SIMNA Ltd. since 1991.
Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund	Waj Hashmi, CFA	Portfolio Manager	Inception (March 31, 2006)	Mr. Hashmi is a Portfolio Manager of SIMNA Ltd. He has been an employee of SIMNA Ltd. since 2000.
Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund	Robert Davy	Portfolio Manager	Inception (March 31, 2006)	Mr. Davy is a Portfolio Manager of SIMNA Ltd. He has been an employee of SIMNA Ltd. since 1986.
Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund	Allan Conway	Head of Emerging Markets Equities	Inception (March 31, 2006)	Mr. Conway is Head of Emerging Markets Equities at SIMNA Ltd. He has been an employee of SIMNA Ltd. since 2004. Formerly, Head of Global Emerging Markets, West LB Asset Management and Chief Executive Officer of WestAM (UK) Ltd.
Schroder International Alpha Fund	Virginie Maisonneuve, CFA	Lead Portfolio Manager	March 2005	Ms. Maisonneuve is a Director of Schroders. She has been an employee of SIMNA Ltd. since 2004. She is head of Schroders' Europe, Australasia, Far East (EAFE) Team. Formerly, Co-Chief Investment Officer and Director, Clay Finlay.

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Schroder International Alpha Fund	Matthew Dobbs	Portfolio Manager	2004	Mr. Dobbs manages Pacific Basin and EAFE equities and is responsible for MultiRegional Small Cap. He has been an employee of Schroders since 1981.
Schroder International Diversified Value Fund and Schroder North American Equity Fund	Justin Abercrombie	Lead Portfolio Manager and Head of Quantitative Equity Products ("QEP")	Inception (August 30, 2006) (Schroder International Diversified Value Fund) Inception (September 2003) (Schroder North American Equity Fund)	Mr. Abercrombie is the Lead Portfolio Manager and Head of QEP, SIMNA Ltd. He has been an employee of Schroders since 1996. Formerly, founding member of QEP, SIMNA Ltd.
Schroder International Diversified Value Fund and Schroder North American Equity Fund	John Marsland, CFA	Senior Portfolio Manager and Quantitative Analyst	Inception (August 30, 2006) (Schroder International Diversified Value Fund) May 2006 (Schroder North American Equity Fund)	Mr. Marsland is a Senior Portfolio Manager and Quantitative Analyst, SIMNA Ltd. He has been an employee of SIMNA Ltd. since May 2006. Formerly, Quantitative Fund Manager, WMG Advisors LLP from January 2005 to April 2006, Head of Risk Advisory, Commerzbank Securities from 2000 to November 2004.
Schroder International Diversified Value Fund and Schroder North American Equity Fund	David Philpotts	Senior Quantitative Analyst and Portfolio Manager	Inception (August 30, 2006) (Schroder International Diversified Value Fund) March 2004 (Schroder North American Equity Fund)	Mr. Philpotts is Senior Quantitative Analyst and Portfolio Manager, SIMNA Ltd. He has been an employee of SIMNA Ltd. since 1999. Formerly, Chief Investment Officer, Quaestor Investment Management from 2001 to March 2004, Deputy Head of QEP, SIMNA Ltd. from 1999 to 2004.
Schroder International Diversified Value Fund and Schroder North American Equity Fund	Stephen Langford	Senior Quantitative Analyst and Portfolio Manager	Inception (August 30, 2006) (Schroder International Diversified Value Fund) November 2003 (Schroder North American Equity Fund)	Mr. Langford is Senior Quantitative Analyst and Portfolio Manager, SIMNA Ltd. He has been an employee of SIMNA Ltd. since 2003. Formerly, Senior Research Manager, Quaestor Investment Management from August 1999 to October 2003.

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Schroder International Diversified Value Fund and Schroder North American Equity Fund	Arnaud Amsellem	Senior Quantitative Analyst and Portfolio Manager	Inception (August 30, 2006) (Schroder International Diversified Value Fund) July 2005 (Schroder North American Equity Fund)	Mr. Amsellem is Senior Quantitative Analyst and Portfolio Manager, SIMNA Ltd. He has been an employee of SIMNA Ltd. since 2005. Formerly, Senior Portfolio Manager, State Street Hedge Fund Group, Portfolio Manager, State Street Active Team from June 2000 to June 2005.
Schroder International Diversified Value Fund and Schroder North American Equity Fund	Kristian Brock	Quantitative Analyst and Portfolio Manager	Inception (August 30, 2006) (Schroder International Diversified Value Fund) Inception (September 2003) (Schroder North American Equity Fund)	Mr. Brock is a Quantitative Analyst and Portfolio Manager, SIMNA Ltd. He has been an employee of Schroders since 2001.
Schroder International Diversified Value Fund and Schroder North American Equity Fund	James Larkman	Quantitative Analyst and Portfolio Manager	Inception (August 30, 2006) (Schroder International Diversified Value Fund) October 2005 (Schroder North American Equity Fund)	Mr. Larkman is a Quantitative Analyst and Portfolio Manager, SIMNA Ltd. He has been an employee of Schroders since 2003. Prior to joining Schroders he was a student attending the Master's program at the University of Reading from July 2003 to July 2004. Prior to July 2003, he attended the University of Bath and participated in an internship with Schroders.
Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund and Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund	Jenny B. Jones	Lead Portfolio Manager	2003 (Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund) Inception (March 31, 2006) (Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund)	Ms. Jones is an Executive Vice President of Schroders. She has been an employee of Schroders since 2003. Formerly, portfolio manager and Executive Director, Morgan Stanley Investment Advisors Inc.
Schroder Enhanced Income Fund and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund	Steven S. Lear, CFA	Lead Portfolio Manager	Inception (December 2004) for each Fund	Mr. Lear is an Executive Vice President of Schroders. He has been an employee of Schroders since June 1998.

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Schroder Enhanced Income Fund and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund	David Harris	Portfolio Manager	Inception (December 2004) for each Fund	Mr. Harris is a Senior Vice President of Schroders. He has been an employee of Schroders since November 1992.
Schroder Enhanced Income Fund and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund	Wesley A. Sparks, CFA	Portfolio Manager	Inception (December 2004) for each Fund	Mr. Sparks is a Senior Vice President of Schroders. He has been an employee of Schroders since December 2000. Formerly, portfolio manager at Aeltus Investment Management.
Schroder Enhanced Income Fund and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund	Gregg T. Moore, CFA	Portfolio Manager	Inception (December 2004) for each Fund	Mr. Moore is a Vice President of Schroders and has been an employee of Schroders since June 2001. Formerly, quantitative analyst at Aeltus Investment Management.
Schroder Enhanced Income Fund and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund	Matthew J. Murphy	Portfolio Manager	Inception (December 2004) for each Fund	Mr. Murphy is a Vice President of Schroders. He has been an employee of Schroders since July 2004. Formerly, Managing Director at MONY Capital Management from February 2002 to July 2004.
Schroder Enhanced Income Fund and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund	Ed Fitzpatrick	Portfolio Manager	2006	Mr. Fitzpatrick is a Portfolio Manager and a Vice President of Schroders. He has been an employee of Schroders since 2006. Formerly, a Vice President of Pershing LLC from 1999 to 2006.
Schroder Strategic Bond Fund	Robert Michele, CFA	Global Head of Fixed Income	Inception (June 30, 2006)	Mr. Michele is Global Head of Fixed Income of Schroders. He has been an employee of Schroders since 1998.
Schroder Strategic Bond Fund	Louise Davies	Portfolio Manager	Inception (June 30, 2006)	Ms. Davies is a Portfolio Manager of Schroders. She has been an employee of Schroders since 1999.
Schroder Strategic Bond Fund	Lisa Coleman, CFA	Global Head of Credit Strategies	July, 2006	Ms. Coleman is Global Head of Credit Strategies and is an Executive Director of Schroders. She has been an employee of Schroders since 2000.
Schroder Municipal Bond Fund and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund	David Baldt, CFA	Portfolio Manager	Inception (December 2003) for each Fund	Mr. Baldt is an Executive Vice President of Schroders. He has been an employee of Schroders since fall 2003. Formerly, Managing Director of Deutsche Asset Management (formerly Morgan Grenfell).

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Schroder Municipal Bond Fund and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund	Daniel Scholl	Portfolio Manager	Inception (December 2003) for each Fund	Mr. Scholl is a Senior Vice President of Schroders. He has been an employee of Schroders since fall 2003. Formerly a Director and Portfolio Manager of Deutsche Asset Management (formerly Morgan Grenfell).
Schroder Municipal Bond Fund and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund	Susan Beck	Portfolio Manager	Inception (December 2003) for each Fund	Ms. Beck is a First Vice President of Schroders. She has been an employee of Schroders since fall 2003. Formerly, a Vice President and Portfolio Manager of Deutsche Asset Management (formerly Morgan Grenfell).
Schroder Municipal Bond Fund and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund	Ted Manges	Portfolio Manager	Inception (December 2003) for each Fund	Mr. Manges is a First Vice President of Schroders. He has been an employee of Schroders since fall 2003. Formerly, Vice President of Deutsche Asset Management from 1999 to 2003, and Manager of Trading and Sales, Commerce Capital Markets from 1995 to 1999.
Schroder Municipal Bond Fund and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund	Whitney Sweeney	Portfolio Manager	2006	Ms. Sweeney is a Portfolio Manager and a Vice President of Schroders. She has been an employee of Schroders since June 2006. Formerly, an Assistant Vice President with Bank of America (2005 to June 2006).

HOW THE FUNDS' SHARES ARE PRICED

Each Fund calculates the net asset value of its Investor Shares by dividing the total value of its assets attributable to its Investor Shares, less its liabilities attributable to those shares, by the number of Investor Shares outstanding. Each Fund values its Investor Shares as of the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange (the "Exchange") (normally 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time) each day the Exchange is open. The Trusts expect that days, other than weekend days, when the Exchange will not be open are New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Presidents' Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.

Securities for which market quotations are readily available are valued at prices which, in the opinion of Schroders, most nearly represent the market values of such securities. Securities for which market values are not readily available, or for which the Funds' adviser believes the market value is unreliable (including, for example, certain foreign securities, thinly traded securities, initial public offerings, or when there is a particular event that may affect the value of a security), are valued by Schroders at their fair values pursuant to guidelines established by the Board of Trustees, and under the ultimate supervision of the Board of Trustees. For instance, a pricing service may recommend a fair value based generally on prices of comparable securities. Other securities, such as various types of options (as described further below), are valued at fair value on the basis of valuations furnished by broker-dealers or other market intermediaries. It is possible that fair value prices will be used by a Fund to a significant extent. The value determined for an investment using the Funds' fair value guidelines may differ from recent market prices for the investment.

Unlisted securities for which market quotations are readily available generally are valued at the most recently reported sale prices on any day or, in the absence of a reported sale price, at mid-market prices. Options and futures contracts traded on a securities exchange or board of trade generally are valued at the last reported sales price or, in the absence of a sale, at the closing mid-market price on the principal exchange where they are traded. Options and futures not traded on a securities exchange or board of trade for which over-the-counter market quotations are readily available are generally valued at the most recently reported mid-market price. Credit default and interest rate swaps are valued at the estimate of the mid-market price, together with other supporting information. Options on indices or exchange-traded fund (ETF) shares are valued at the closing mid-market price. If such prices are not available, unlisted securities and derivatives are valued by Schroders at their fair values based on quotations from dealers, and if such quotations are not available, based on factors in the markets where such securities and derivatives trade, such as security and bond prices, interest rates, and currency exchange rates.

Certain Funds may invest in foreign securities that are primarily listed on foreign exchanges that trade on weekends and other days when the Fund does not price its shares. As a result, the value of the Fund's portfolio securities may change on days when the price of the Fund's shares is not calculated. The price of the Fund's shares will reflect any such changes when the price of the Fund's shares is next calculated, which is the next day the Exchange is open. The Funds may use fair value pricing more frequently for securities primarily traded in non-U.S. markets because, among other things, most foreign markets close well before the Fund values its securities. The earlier close of these foreign markets gives rise to the possibility that significant events, including broad market moves, may have occurred in the interim.

Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, and Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund's investments may be priced based on fair values provided by a third party fair valuation vendor, based on certain factors and methodologies applied by such vendor, in the event that there is movement in the U.S. market that exceeds a specific threshold established by the Schroders' Fair Value Committee in consultation with the Board of Trustees. Short-term investments that will mature within 60 days are valued by Schroders using amortized cost pursuant to procedures adopted by the Board of Trustees. The net asset value of a Fund's Investor Shares may differ from that of its Advisor Shares due to differences in the expenses of Investor Shares and Advisor Shares.

HOW TO BUY SHARES

Each Trust, through its distributor, Schroder Fund Advisors Inc. ("SFA"), sells Investor Shares of its Funds at their net asset value without any sales charges or loads, so that the full amount of your purchase payment is invested in the applicable Fund.

You may purchase Investor Shares of each Fund by completing the Account Application that accompanies this Prospectus, and sending payment by check or wire as described below. Acceptance of your order will be delayed pending receipt of additional documentation, such as copies of corporate resolutions and instruments of authority from corporations, administrators, executors, personal representatives, directors, or custodians.

Each Fund sells its Investor Shares at their net asset value next determined after the applicable Fund, its transfer agent, Boston Financial Data Services, Inc. ("BFDS"), or an authorized broker or financial institution (as described below) receives your request in good order (meaning that the request meets the requirements set out below and in the Account Application, and otherwise meets the requirements implemented from time to time by the applicable Fund's transfer agent or the Fund). In order for you to receive a Fund's next determined net asset value, the Fund, BFDS or the authorized broker or financial institution must receive your order before the close of trading on the Exchange (normally 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time). Each Trust reserves the right to reject any order to purchase Investor Shares of any of its Funds. Each Trust generally expects to inform any persons that their purchase has been rejected within 24 hours.

The minimum investments for initial and additional purchases of Investor Shares of a Fund are as follows:

Initial Investment	Additional Investments
\$250,000	\$1,000

The applicable Trust may, in its sole discretion, waive these minimum initial or subsequent investment amounts for share purchases by: an employee of Schroders, any of its affiliates or a financial intermediary authorized to sell shares of a Fund, or such employee's spouse or life partner, or children or step-children age 21 or younger; investment advisory clients of Schroders; and current or former Trustees. For share purchases made through certain fund networks or other financial intermediaries, the investment minimums associated with the policies and programs of the fund network or financial intermediary will apply.

Investor Shares of the Funds are intended for purchase by investors making a minimum initial investment of \$250,000 and purchasing shares directly from the Fund. Advisor Shares of the Funds are offered through another prospectus and are intended for investors making a minimum initial investment of \$2,500 and purchasing shares through a financial intermediary.

The Funds do not issue share certificates.

Each Trust may suspend the offering of Investor Shares of its Funds for any period of time. Each Trust may change any investment minimum from time to time.

Purchases by check. You may purchase Investor Shares of a Fund by mailing a check (in U.S. dollars) payable to the Fund. If you wish to purchase Investor Shares of two or more Funds, make your check payable to Schroder Mutual Funds and include written instructions as to how the amount of your check should be allocated among the Funds whose shares you are purchasing. Schroder Mutual Funds will not accept third-party

checks or starter checks. You should direct your check and your completed Account Application as follows:

REGULAR MAIL

Schroder Mutual Funds
P.O. Box 8507
Boston, MA 02266

OVERNIGHT OR EXPRESS MAIL

Boston Financial Data Services, Inc.
Attn: Schroder Mutual Funds
30 Dan Road
Canton, MA 02021

For initial purchases, a completed Account Application must accompany your check.

Purchases by bank wire. If you make your initial investment by wire, a completed Account Application must precede your order. Upon receipt of the Application, BFDS will assign you an account number. BFDS will process wire orders received prior to the close of trading on the Exchange (normally 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time) on each day the Exchange is open for trading at the net asset value next determined as of the end of that day. BFDS will process wire orders received after that time at the net asset value next determined thereafter.

Please call BFDS at (800) 464-3108 to give notice that you will send funds by wire, and obtain a wire reference number. (From outside the United States, please call (617) 483-5000 and ask to speak with a Schroder Mutual Funds representative.) Please be sure to obtain a wire reference number. Instruct your bank to wire funds with the assigned reference number as follows:

State Street Bank and Trust Company

225 Franklin Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02110
ABA No.: 011000028
Attn: Schroder Mutual Funds
DDA No.: 9904-650-0
FBO: Account Registration
A/C: Mutual Fund Account Number
Name of Fund

BFDS will not process your purchase until it receives the wired funds.

Automatic purchases. You can make regular investments of \$100 or more per month or quarter in Investor Shares of a Fund through automatic deductions from your bank account. Please complete the appropriate section of the Account Application if you would like to utilize this option. For more information, please call (800) 464-3108.

Brokers and other financial institutions. You may also buy and exchange Investor Shares of the Funds through an authorized broker or other financial institution that has an agreement with Schrodors or SFA. The purchase and exchange policies and fees charged by such brokers and other institutions may be different than those of the Funds. For instance, banks, brokers, retirement plans and financial advisers may charge transaction fees and may set different investment minimums or limitations on buying or exchanging Investor Shares. Please consult a representative of your financial institution for further information.

Certain brokers or other financial institutions may accept purchase orders for Investor Shares on behalf of the Funds. Such brokers or financial institutions may designate other intermediaries to accept purchase orders on behalf of the Funds. For purposes of pricing,

a Fund will be deemed to have received a purchase order when an authorized broker or financial institution or, if applicable, a broker or financial institution's authorized designee, receives the order. Agreements between such brokers or financial institutions and SFA, the Trusts' distributor, provide that these orders will be priced at the Fund's net asset value next determined after they are received by the broker or financial institution or authorized designee. Orders received in good order prior to the close of the Exchange on any day the Exchange is open for trading will receive the net asset value next determined as of the end of that day. Orders received after that time will receive the next day's net asset value.

Brokers or other agents may charge investors a fee for effecting transactions in shares of a Fund, in addition to any fees the Fund charges.

Purchases in kind. Investors may purchase Investor Shares of a Fund for cash or in exchange for securities, subject to the determination by Schroders in its discretion that the securities are acceptable. (For purposes of determining whether securities will be acceptable, Schroders will consider, among other things, whether they are liquid securities of a type consistent with the investment objective and policies of the Fund and have a readily ascertainable value.) If a Fund receives securities from an investor in exchange for Investor Shares of the Fund, the Fund will under some circumstances have the same tax basis in the securities as the investor had prior to the exchange (and the Fund's gain for tax purposes would be calculated with regard to the investor's tax basis), and in such cases the Fund's holding period in those securities would include the investor's holding period. Any gain on the sale of securities received in exchange for Investor Shares of the Fund would be subject to distribution as capital gain to all of the Fund's shareholders. (In some circumstances, receipt of securities from an investor in exchange for Investor Shares of the Fund may be a taxable transaction to the investor, in which case the Fund's tax basis in the securities would reflect the fair market value of the securities on the date of the exchange, and its holding period in the securities would begin on that date.) The Funds value securities accepted by Schroders in the same manner as are the Funds' portfolio securities as of the time of the next determination of a Fund's net asset value. Although the Funds seek to determine the fair value of securities contributed to a Fund, any valuation that does not reflect fair value may dilute the interests of the purchasing shareholder or the other shareholders of the Funds. All rights reflected in the market price of accepted securities at the time of valuation become the property of the Funds and must be delivered to the Funds upon receipt by the investor. Investors may realize a taxable gain or loss upon the exchange. Investors interested in purchases through exchange should telephone BFDS at (800) 464-3108, their Schroders client representative, or other financial intermediary.

Certain payments by Schroders or its affiliates. SFA, Schroders, or their affiliates may, at their own expense and out of their own assets, provide compensation to financial intermediaries in connection with sales of Fund shares or shareholder servicing. In some instances, they may make this compensation available only to certain intermediaries who have sold or are expected to sell significant amounts of shares of a Fund. See "Payments to Financial Intermediaries." If you purchase or sell shares through an intermediary, the intermediary may charge a separate fee for its services. Consult your intermediary for information.

HOW TO SELL SHARES

When you may redeem. You may sell your Investor Shares back to a Fund on any day the Exchange is open by sending a letter of instruction or stock power form to Schroder Mutual Funds, or by calling BFDS at (800) 464-3108. Redemption requests received in good order by Schroder Mutual Funds, BFDS, or an authorized broker or financial institution (as described below) prior to the close of the Exchange on any day the Exchange is open for trading will be priced at the net asset value next determined as of the end of that day. Orders received after that time will receive the next day's net asset value. A redemption request is in good order if it includes the exact name in which the shares are registered, the investor's account number, and the number of shares or the dollar amount of shares to be redeemed, and, for written requests, if it is signed in accordance with the account registration. A bank, broker-dealer, or certain other financial institutions must guarantee the signature(s) of all account holders for any redemption request in excess of \$50,000, or for any amount being sent to an address or bank account that is not registered on the account. The Stamp 2000 Medallion Guarantee is the only acceptable form of guarantee. An investor can obtain this signature guarantee from a commercial bank, savings bank, credit union, or broker-dealer that participates in one of the Medallion signature guarantee programs. You may redeem your shares by telephone only if you elected the telephone redemption privilege option on your Account Application or otherwise in writing. Telephone redemption proceeds will be sent only to you at an address on record with a Fund for at least 30 days. Unless otherwise agreed, you may only exercise the telephone redemption privilege to redeem shares worth not more than \$50,000. Each Trust may require additional documentation from shareholders that are corporations, partnerships, agents, fiduciaries, surviving joint owners, those acting through powers of attorney, or similar delegation.

Each Trust will pay you for your redemptions as promptly as possible and in any event within seven days after the request for redemption is received in good order. Each Trust generally sends payment for shares on the business day after a request is received. In case of emergencies, each Trust may suspend redemptions or postpone payment for more than seven days, as permitted by law. If you paid for your Investor Shares by check, each Trust will not send you your redemption proceeds until the check you used to pay for the shares has cleared, which may take up to 15 calendar days from the purchase date.

Brokers and other financial institutions. You may also redeem and exchange Investor Shares of the Funds through an authorized broker or other financial institution that has an agreement with Schroders or SFA. The redemption and exchange policies and fees charged by such brokers and other institutions may be different than those of the Funds. For instance, banks, brokers, retirement plans and financial advisers may charge transaction fees and may set different investment minimums or limitations on exchanging or redeeming Investor Shares. Please consult a representative of your financial institution for further information.

Certain brokers or other financial institutions may accept redemption orders for Investor Shares on behalf of the Funds. Such brokers or financial institutions may designate other intermediaries to accept redemption orders on behalf of the Funds. For purposes of pricing, a Fund will be deemed to have received a redemption order when an authorized broker or financial institution or, if applicable, a broker or financial institution's authorized designee, receives the order. Agreements between such brokers or financial institutions and SFA, the Trusts' distributor, provide that these orders will be priced at the Fund's net asset value next determined after they are received by the broker or financial institution or

authorized designee. Orders received in good order prior to the close of the Exchange on any day the Exchange is open for trading will receive the net asset value next determined as of the end of that day. Orders received after that time will receive the next day's net asset value.

Brokers or other agents may charge investors a fee for effecting transactions in shares of a Fund, in addition to any fees a Fund charges.

Involuntary redemptions. If, because of your redemptions, your account balance for any of the Funds falls below a minimum amount set by the Trustees (presently \$2,000), a Trust may choose to redeem your Investor Shares in the Funds and pay you for them. You will receive at least 30 days' written notice before the Trust redeems your Investor Shares, and you may purchase additional Investor Shares at any time to avoid a redemption. Each Trust may also redeem Investor Shares if you own shares of the Funds above a maximum amount set by the Trustees. There is currently no maximum, but the Trustees may establish one at any time, which could apply to both present and future shareholders.

Suspension. Each Trust may suspend the right of redemption of a Fund or postpone payment by a Fund during any period when: (1) trading on the Exchange is restricted, as determined by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), or the Exchange is closed; (2) the SEC has by order permitted such suspension; or (3) an emergency (as defined by rules of the SEC) exists, making disposal of portfolio investments or determination of a Fund's net asset value not reasonably practicable.

Redemptions in kind. The Trusts do not expect to redeem Investor Shares in kind under normal circumstances. If a Trust redeems your Investor Shares in kind, you should expect to incur brokerage expenses and other transaction costs upon the disposition of the securities you receive from the Fund. In addition, the price of those securities may change between the time when you receive the securities and the time when you are able to dispose of them. Schroder Capital Funds (Delaware) has agreed to redeem Investor Shares of Schroder International Alpha Fund and Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund solely in cash up to the lesser of \$250,000 or 1% of the Fund's net assets attributable to Investor Shares during any 90-day period for any one shareholder. In consideration of the best interests of the remaining shareholders, Schroder Capital Funds (Delaware) may pay any redemption proceeds exceeding this amount for any of these Funds in whole or in part by a distribution in kind of securities held by the applicable Fund in lieu of cash. Schroder Global Series Trust and Schroder Series Trust may pay redemption proceeds in any amount with respect to Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder North American Equity Fund, Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund, Schroder Enhanced Income Fund, Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund, Schroder Municipal Bond Fund, or Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund in whole or in part by a distribution in kind of liquid securities held by the applicable Fund in lieu of cash.

General. If you request that your redemption proceeds be sent to you at an address other than your address of record, or to another party, you must include a signature guarantee for each signature, by an eligible signature guarantor, such as a member firm of a national securities exchange or a commercial bank or trust company located in the United States. If you are a resident of a foreign country, another type of certification may be required. For more details, please contact BFDS at (800) 464-3108, your Schroders client representative or your financial intermediary. Each Trust may require corporations, fiduciaries, and other types of shareholders to supply additional documents which support their authority to effect a redemption. In an effort to prevent unauthorized or fraudulent

redemption requests by telephone, BFDS will follow reasonable procedures to confirm that telephone instructions are genuine. BFDS and the Trusts generally will not be liable for any losses due to unauthorized or fraudulent purchase or redemption requests, but the applicable party or parties may be liable if they do not follow these procedures.

Redemption fee. Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund, Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund, and Schroder Strategic Bond Fund each imposes a 2.00% redemption fee on shares redeemed (including in connection with an exchange) two months or less from their date of purchase. The fee is not a sales charge (load); it is paid directly to the Fund. The purpose of the redemption fee is principally to discourage market timing, and also to help defray costs incurred by a Fund in connection with short-term trading by investors in its shares.

To the extent that the redemption fee applies, the price you will receive when you redeem your shares of a Fund is the net asset value next determined after receipt of your redemption request in good order, minus the redemption fee. The Funds permit exceptions to the redemption fee policy for the following transactions:

- to the extent the exception is requested by a financial intermediary and the intermediary agrees to administer the exception uniformly among similarly-affected clients, redemptions or exchanges by discretionary asset allocation or wrap programs ("wrap programs") that are initiated by the sponsor of the program as part of a periodic rebalancing, provided that such rebalancing occurs no more frequently than quarterly, or, if more frequent, was the result of an extraordinary change in the management or operation of the wrap program leading to a revised investment model that is applied across all applicable accounts in the wrap program;
- to the extent the exception is requested by a financial intermediary and the intermediary agrees to administer the exception uniformly among similarly-affected clients, redemptions or exchanges by a wrap program that are made as a result of a full withdrawal from the wrap program or as part of a systematic withdrawal plan;
- to the extent the exception is requested by a financial intermediary and the intermediary agrees to administer the exception uniformly among similarly-affected clients, the following transactions in participant-directed retirement plans:
 - where the shares being redeemed were purchased with new contributions to the plan (*e.g.*, payroll contributions, employer contributions, and loan repayments);
 - redemptions made in connection with taking out a loan from the plan;
 - redemptions in connection with death, disability, hardship withdrawals, or Qualified Domestic Relations Orders;
 - redemptions made as part of a systematic withdrawal plan;
 - redemptions made by a defined contribution plan in connection with a termination or restructuring of the plan;
 - redemptions made in connection with a participant's termination of employment; and
 - redemptions made as part of a periodic rebalancing under an asset allocation model.

- involuntary redemptions, such as those resulting from a shareholder's failure to maintain a minimum investment in a Fund;
- redemptions of shares acquired through the reinvestment of dividends or distributions paid by a Fund;
- redemptions and exchanges effected by other mutual funds (*e.g.*, funds of funds) that are sponsored by Schroders or its affiliates; and
- otherwise as the officers of Schroders or the applicable Trust may determine is appropriate after consideration of the purpose of the transaction and the potential impact to the Funds.

The application of the redemption fee and exceptions may vary among intermediaries, and certain intermediaries may not apply the exceptions listed above. If you purchase or sell fund shares through an intermediary, you should contact your intermediary for more information on whether the redemption fee will be applied to redemptions of your shares.

For purposes of computing the redemption fee, redemptions by a shareholder to which the fee applies will be deemed to have been made on a first-purchased, first-redeemed basis.

EXCHANGES

You can exchange your Investor Shares of a Fund for Investor Shares of other funds in the Schroder family of funds at any time at their respective net asset values. An exchange of shares of Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund, Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund, and Schroder Strategic Bond Fund may be subject to a redemption fee of 2.00% as described above under "Redemption Fee" (such that the exchange would be made at net asset value minus any redemption fee). The Trusts would treat the exchange as a sale of your Investor Shares, and any gain on the exchange will generally be subject to tax. For a listing of the Schroder funds available for exchange and to exchange Investor Shares, please call (800) 464-3108. (From outside the United States, please call (617) 483-5000 and ask to speak with a representative of the Schroder Mutual Funds.) In order to exchange shares by telephone, you must complete the appropriate section of the Account Application. The Trusts and Schroders reserve the right to change or suspend the exchange privilege at any time. Schroders would notify shareholders of any such change or suspension.

DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTIONS

Schroder Enhanced Income Fund, Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund, Schroder Municipal Bond Fund, and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund each declare dividends from net investment income daily and distribute these dividends monthly. Schroder Strategic Bond Fund declares dividends from net investment income and distributes these dividends quarterly. Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder North American Equity Fund, Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund, and Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund each declare dividends from net investment income and distribute these dividends annually. All Funds distribute any net realized capital gain at least annually. All Funds make distributions from net capital gain after applying any available capital loss carryovers.

Shares begin to earn dividends on the first business day following the day of purchase. Shares earn dividends through the date of redemption.

You can choose from four distribution options:

- Reinvest all distributions in additional Investor Shares of your Fund;
- Receive distributions from net investment income in cash while reinvesting capital gains distributions in additional Investor Shares of your Fund;
- For each Fund except Schroder North American Equity Fund, receive distributions from net investment income in additional Investor Shares of your Fund while receiving capital gain distributions in cash; or
- Receive all distributions in cash.

You can change your distribution option by notifying BFDS in writing. If you do not select an option when you open your account, all distributions by a Fund will be reinvested in Investor Shares of that Fund. You will receive a statement confirming reinvestment of distributions in additional Fund shares promptly following the period in which the reinvestment occurs.

If correspondence to a shareholder's address of record is returned, then, unless BFDS determines the shareholder's new address, BFDS will reinvest dividends and other distributions returned to it in the applicable Fund(s), and if the correspondence included checks, the checks will be canceled and re-deposited to the shareholder's account at then-current net asset value.

FREQUENT PURCHASES AND REDEMPTIONS OF FUND SHARES

Excessive trading can hurt Fund performance, operations, and shareholders. The Board of Trustees of each of the Funds has adopted policies and procedures with respect to frequent purchases and redemptions of Fund shares by Fund shareholders. Each Fund discourages, and does not accommodate, frequent purchases and redemptions of the Fund's shares to the extent Schroders believes that such trading is harmful to a Fund's shareholders, although a Fund will not necessarily prevent all frequent trading in its shares. Each Fund reserves the right, in its discretion, to reject any purchase, in whole or in part (including, without limitation, purchases by persons whose trading activity Schroders believes could be harmful to the Fund). Each Trust or Schroders may also limit the amount or number of exchanges or reject any purchase by exchange if the Trust or Schroders believes that the investor in question is engaged in "market timing activities" or similar activities that may be harmful to a Fund or its shareholders, although the Trusts and Schroders have not established any maximum amount or number of such exchanges that may occur in any period. Each Trust generally expects to inform any persons that their purchase has been rejected within 24 hours. In addition, the Boards of Trustees of Schroder Emerging Market Equity Fund, Schroder International Alpha Fund, Schroder International Diversified Value Fund, Schroder U.S. Opportunities Fund, Schroder U.S. Small and Mid Cap Opportunities Fund, and Schroder Strategic Bond Fund have established a 2.00% redemption fee for shares of these Funds held for two months or less from their date of purchase. See "How to Sell Shares – Redemption Fee" for further information. The ability of Schroders to monitor trades that are placed through omnibus or other nominee accounts is limited in those instances in which the broker, retirement plan administrator, or fee-based program sponsor does not provide complete information to Schroders regarding underlying beneficial owners of Fund shares. Each Trust or its distributor may enter into written agreements with financial intermediaries who hold omnibus accounts that require the intermediaries to provide certain information to the Trust regarding shareholders who hold shares through such accounts and to restrict or prohibit trading in Fund shares by shareholders identified by the Trust as having engaged in trades that violate the Trusts' "market timing" policies. Each Trust or Schroders may take any steps they consider appropriate in respect of frequent trading in omnibus accounts, including seeking additional information from the holder of the omnibus account or potentially closing the omnibus account (although there can be no assurance that the Trust or Schroders would do so). Please see the applicable SAI for additional information on frequent purchases and redemptions of Fund shares. There can be no assurance that the Funds or Schroders will identify all harmful purchase or redemption activity, or market timing or similar activities, affecting the Funds, or that the Funds or Schroders will be successful in limiting or eliminating such activities.

PAYMENTS TO FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

SFA, the Funds' distributor, Schroders or any of their affiliates, may, from time to time, make payments to financial intermediaries for sub-administration, sub-transfer agency, or other shareholder services or distribution, out of their own resources and without additional cost to a Fund or its shareholders. For Advisor Shares, these payments may be in addition to payments made with 12b-1 fees. Financial intermediaries are firms that, for compensation, sell shares of mutual funds, including the Funds, and/or provide certain administrative and account maintenance services to mutual fund shareholders. These financial intermediaries may include, among others, brokers, financial planners or advisers, banks, and insurance companies.

In some cases, a financial intermediary may hold its client's shares of the Funds in nominee or street name. Financial intermediaries may also provide shareholder services, which may include, among other things: processing and mailing trade confirmations, periodic statements, prospectuses, annual and semiannual reports, shareholder notices, and other SEC-required communications; processing tax data; issuing and mailing dividend checks to shareholders who have selected cash distributions; preparing record date shareholder lists for proxy solicitations; collecting and posting distributions to shareholder accounts; and establishing and maintaining systematic withdrawals and automated investment plans and shareholder account registrations.

The compensation paid by SFA, Schroders, or their affiliates to an intermediary is typically paid continually over time, during the period when the intermediary's clients hold investments in the Funds. The amount of continuing compensation paid by SFA, Schroders, or their affiliates to different financial intermediaries for distribution and/or shareholder services varies. In most cases, the compensation is paid at an annual rate ranging up to 0.40% (0.00% to 0.40%) of the value of the financial intermediary's clients' investments in the Funds.

SFA or its affiliates, at their own expense and out of their own assets, also may provide other compensation to financial intermediaries in connection with conferences, sales, or training programs for their employees, seminars for the public, advertising or sales campaigns, or other financial intermediary-sponsored special events. In some instances, the compensation may be made available only to certain financial intermediaries whose representatives have sold or are expected to sell significant amounts of shares. Intermediaries that are registered broker-dealers may not use sales of Fund shares to qualify for this compensation to the extent prohibited by the laws or rules of any state or any self-regulatory agency, such as the NASD.

If payments to financial intermediaries by the distributor or adviser for a particular mutual fund complex exceed payments by other mutual fund complexes, your financial adviser and the financial intermediary employing him or her may have an incentive to recommend that fund complex over others. Please speak with your financial adviser to learn more about the total amounts paid to your financial adviser and his or her firm by SFA and its affiliates, and by sponsors of other mutual funds he or she may recommend to you. You should also consult disclosures made by your financial intermediary at the time of purchase.

TAXES

Taxes on dividends and distributions. For federal income tax purposes, distributions of investment income are taxed as ordinary income. Taxes on distributions of capital gains are determined by how long a Fund owned the investments that generated the gains, rather than how long you have owned your shares. Distributions of net capital gains from the sale of investments that a Fund has held for more than one year and that are properly designated by the Fund as capital gain dividends will be taxable as long-term capital gains. Distributions of gains from the sale of investments that a Fund owned for one year or less and gains on the sale of bonds characterized as a market discount sale will be taxable as ordinary income. For taxable years beginning before January 1, 2011, distributions of investment income designated by a Fund as derived from “qualified dividend income” will be taxed in the hands of individuals at rates applicable to long-term capital gains, provided holding period and other requirements are met at both the shareholder and Fund level. Schroder Enhanced Income Fund, Schroder Strategic Bond Fund, Schroder Total Return Fixed Income Fund, Schroder Municipal Bond Fund, and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund do not expect a significant portion of their distributions to be derived from qualified dividend income.

Distributions are taxable to shareholders even if they are paid from income or gains earned by a Fund before a shareholder’s investment (and thus were included in the price the shareholder paid). Distributions are taxable whether shareholders receive them in cash or reinvest them in additional shares.

For Schroder Municipal Bond Fund and Schroder Short-Term Municipal Bond Fund, distributions designated as “exempt-interest dividends” will generally not be subject to federal income tax. Gains realized by a Fund on the sale or exchange of investments the income from which is tax-exempt will be taxable to shareholders. Shareholders of the Funds who receive social security or railroad retirement benefits should consult their tax advisor to determine what effect, if any, an investment in the Funds may have on the federal taxation of their benefits. In addition, an investment in the Funds may result in liability for federal alternative minimum tax, both for individual and corporate shareholders.

Distributions by a Fund to retirement plans that qualify for tax-exempt treatment under federal income tax laws will not be taxable. Special tax rules apply to investments through such plans. You should consult your tax advisor to determine the suitability of a Fund as an investment through such a plan and the tax treatment of distributions (including distributions of amounts attributable to an investment in a Fund) from such a plan.

A Fund’s investment in certain debt obligations and derivative contracts may cause the Fund to recognize taxable income in excess of the cash generated by such obligations or contracts. Thus, a Fund could be required at times to liquidate other investments in order to satisfy its distribution requirements.

In general, dividends (other than capital gain dividends) paid to a shareholder that is not a “U.S. person” within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Code (a “foreign person”), are subject to withholding of U.S. federal income tax at a rate of 30% (or lower applicable treaty rate). However, under the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004, effective for taxable years of the Funds beginning after December 31, 2004 and before January 1, 2008, the Funds generally will not be required to withhold any amounts with respect to distributions of (i) U.S. source interest income that would not be subject to U.S. federal income tax if earned directly by an individual foreign person, and (ii) net short-term capital gains in

excess of net long-term capital losses, in each case to the extent such distributions are properly designated by the Funds.

Long-term capital gain rates applicable to individuals have been temporarily reduced – in general, to 15% with lower rates applying to taxpayers in the 10% and 15% rate brackets – for taxable years beginning before January 1, 2011.

Taxes when you sell, redeem or exchange your shares. Any gain resulting from a redemption, sale or exchange (including an exchange for shares of another fund) of your shares in a Fund will also generally be subject to federal income tax at either short-term or long-term capital gain rates depending on how long you have owned your shares.

Foreign taxes. A Fund's investments in foreign securities may be subject to foreign withholding or other taxes. In that case, the Fund's return on those securities would be decreased. Shareholders of Schroders Funds that invest more than 50% of their assets in foreign securities may be entitled to claim a credit or deduction with respect to foreign taxes. Shareholders of other Schroders funds generally will not be entitled to claim a credit or deduction with respect to foreign taxes. In addition, investments in foreign securities may increase or accelerate a Fund's recognition of ordinary income and may affect the timing or amount of a Fund's distributions.

Derivatives. A Fund's use of derivatives may affect the amount, timing, and character of distributions to shareholders and, therefore, may increase the amount of taxes payable by shareholders.

Consult your tax advisor about other possible tax consequences. This is a summary of certain U.S. federal income tax consequences of investing in the Funds. You should consult your tax advisor for more information on your own tax situation, including possible other federal, state, local and foreign tax consequences of investing in the Funds.

DISCLOSURES OF FUND PORTFOLIO INFORMATION

Please see the Funds' SAI for a description of the Funds' policies and procedures regarding the persons to whom the Funds or Schroders may disclose a Fund's portfolio securities positions, and under which circumstances.